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**SHORT GAS SUPPLY SURE.**

In all likelihood, one certain result of the fight that is now on to control the price of gas in Kansas will be the tying up of the activities of the gas company's receivers so that it will be impossible for them to increase the gas supply for this winter. But what do the politicians and the lawyers, who are making medicine and money out of the squabble, care? They have such fat jobs that an absolute failure in the gas supply would be a convenience them personally in the slightest. However, a day of reckoning is coming. The people have a few votes left, and they are beginning to get wise as to how they can use them to the best advantage.

**ROOSEVELT A REPUBLICAN?**

The Chicago Tribune's Washington correspondent has indulged in a political dream to the effect that Colonel Roosevelt is a candidate for the next Republican presidential nomination and that his lieutenants are perfecting arrangements to place him in nearly every state possessing the direct primary system. This would mean, among other things, that Colonel Roosevelt would have to gig-back as gracefully as possible on his recent pronouncement that it would be impossible for him to affiliate again with the Republican party.

**TOO MANY EASTLAND COOKS.**

You know what often happens when too many cooks get to mixing the soup. Well, several of those who are deemed responsible for the Eastland disaster now have federal indictments as well as state indictments pending against them. A dispute as to whether the national government or the state of Illinois shall have authority to administer penalties may result in the accused escaping punishment altogether. Such things have happened before, and history has a habit of repeating.

**LOCAL MENTION.**

Edna Ross, 19, and Joseph Proctor, 25, both of Topeka, were married this morning at the probate court office by Judge Hugh MacFarland.

Suits dry cleaned 75c. Topeka Laundry Co. Phone 2653.—Adv.

Neil Overmyer, son of Mrs. George Overmyer, of 1212 Fillmore street, fell from a swing at Polk school this morning and broke his right arm. The Overmyer boy lost his balance while playing on the swing. Porter tore the bar up and threw it in the waste basket and then picked it up and placed it together. Porter's surprise was due to the fact that the boy had previously stated he was donating his services.

**SENATORIAL ABUSE.**

The state of time by the senate, for which it has been subjected to severe censure, is wholly due to its archaic code of procedure, writes Charles S. Thomas, in North American Review for September, and he continues: Hours are consumed in wrangling over trivial matters, and discussion travels over the universe in the effort to talk as much and say as little as possible. But if this were the sole or the most important consequence, the state would be better off. The very serious and deplorable result of needless and cruel consumption of time is that many measures of real importance are crowded into the end of the calendar and must be rushed to completion during the closing hours of the session. Intimately related to this phase of the subject is the vastly expanded orbit of federal authority, as reflected to congressional activities and the consequent increasing demands upon its time. The people are looking more and more to Washington and less and less to their state and municipal governments, as the agency for the conduct of their affairs and as the fountain of relief from all their difficulties. And the national government is responding with alacrity. Hence, the congressional calendar has become a thing of appalling dimensions, while the bills "passing through the hopper" constitute an endless procession in the senate, 7,296, and in the

**THE CHEWING-GUM HABIT.**

The chewing gum habit, writes Zim, in Cartoons Magazine, "is bad enough in itself, but the habit of sticking the quid on the bedpost is intolerable. Wives who are addicted to the latter should be advised to desist before a serious breach in the family occurs. The bedpost is the husband's recognized clothes tree and should be held sacred as such! To find his trousers garnished daily with

that adhesive element is not conducive to conjugal felicity. Another convenient place of repose for the harmless-looking little wad which invariably immediate detection is the under side of the wife's dining-room chair. I have known men to leave a quid of 'Honest Scrap' or 'Fine Cut' on the window sill during luncheon, but they were not deemed gentlemen of high caste, neither can a woman who deigns to return a wad of once used gum to her jaws for a second kneading lay claim to the title of lady. There is respectability in everything if properly carried out, but the practice of sticking chewing gum in obscure places is down right beastly."

Sere October weather in September is most Kansassike, climatically speaking.

**PREMIER BASEBALL CENTERS.**

It seems almost reasonably certain that Boston and Philadelphia will again be the scenes of the struggles for another world's baseball championship, but the turn of the baseball wheel this year makes it happen that the Philadelphia Nationals and the Boston Americans will be the contenders, for the highest baseball honor, where last year the Philadelphia Americans and the Boston Nationals were the teams that contested the title.

The Philadelphia and Boston fans are probably not a bit particular as to which of their teams shall lead their respective leagues and fight it out for the championship laurels.

And the business of prophesying when the European war will end seems to have fallen into a decline of late.

**MAIL CARRIERS WILL HELP NAVY DEPARTMENT TO GET RECRUITS.**

Postmaster Rigby has received blanks from the postmaster general to be filled with names of young Topeka men eligible for the United States navy. In this way, more than a million names will be placed on record in the navy department.

Postmaster General Burleson's letter reads as follows:

"To the Postmaster: Please distribute accompanying blanks and return envelopes to the city carriers and clerks of your office, with specific instructions to each to the effect that if he is willing to do so, he may, during his hours of duty, place on the blanks the names and addresses of young men residing in the neighborhood in which he lives who might be interested in the United States navy."

"It should be understood that the department approves of this co-operation with the navy department, but that the work on the part of the clerks and carriers is not compulsory and, if undertaken, must be done during the time when the clerk or carrier is on duty in the postoffice or on the route."

**BRINGAS ARE EXECUTED**

Father and Son, Carranza Men, Are Put to Death.

Laredo, Sept. 27.—General Carlos Bringas and his son, Major Carlos Bringas Jr., both connected with the Carranza army, were executed in Mexico City Saturday, according to an announcement at Carranza army headquarters in Nuevo Laredo today. Both men, it is stated, were alleged to have falsified their accounts and misappropriated Carranza funds. The Bringas were natives of Chihuahua state.

**FIRST FOOTBALL DEATH**

Lima, Ohio, High School Boy Killed in Practice Game.

Lima, Ohio, Sept. 27.—The first fatality in connection with the present football season was recorded here today when Don Appias, 15, prospective guard on the Lima high school team, died of injuries received in a practice game.

The unfortunate student's teammates will act as pallbearers at the funeral.

**TOPEKA SCHOOL BONDS**

Local Concern Has \$50,000 for Sale—First on Market.

A local concern is advertising in the State Journal \$50,000 worth of Topeka school bonds for sale. This is the first time in years that Topeka school bonds have been on the market and it may be a long time before any will be offered again.

The bonds were issued in 1905 to run 20 years at a 4 percent. They are due January 1, 1925. They represent all the improvements in Topeka school property since 1905. The bonds were issued to finance a number of the school buildings then under construction and to equip them, included in which were the high school and many modern schools. Porter tore the bar up and threw it in the waste basket and then picked it up and placed it together. Porter's surprise was due to the fact that the boy had previously stated he was donating his services.

Salaries and commission to two good men to sell life insurance in Topeka for the "Right Company," the Germania Life. Call between nine and ten and find out more. New England Building.—Adv.

Edwin S. Shaw will arrive in Topeka Friday to assist in making a state campaign for the remainder of the Washburn endowment fund. Mr. Shaw is well known in the east where he has been connected with the Lehigh Coal and Navigation company at Coal Dale as the result of a fall of rock. Hope of reaching any of the men alive has been abandoned.

**TURKS RETAKE GROUND**

Positions on Left Wing at Anafarta, Snatched From Allies.

Constantinople, Sept. 27.—Part of the positions on the Turkish left wing at Anafarta, which had been occupied by the entente allies in the Gallipoli peninsula operations, has been retaken by the Turks, according to an official statement issued at Turkish army headquarters.

Rumania Grows at Bulgaria.

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